



**Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes  
October 25, 2019  
Room 326, City/County Building  
12:00 p.m.**

**Mission: The CAC exists to provide citizen input into the safety of the citizens of Lewis and Clark County, the efficient and just treatment of defendants and offenders, the protection and healing of victims, and to work toward prevention of crime and the reduction of recidivism.**

**1. Call to Order and Attendance**

Curt Chisholm called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. and read the mission statement.

Members present: Curt Chisholm (Chair), John Wilkinson, Judy Rolfe, Marshall Gingery, Moffie Funk, Theresa Charlton, Tom Cordingley, and John Lytle.

Members excused: Abigail J. St. Lawrence, Dennis Taylor, Theresa Ortega, Carolyn Belling, and Stephanie Ballenger-Brooks.

Members absent: Mike Mahoney and Gene Prendergast.

Others in attendance: Matthew H. Hoffman, Jen Gursky, Michael Accardi, Michael Kalous, Seth Dombach, Kellie McBride and Gloria Soja.

**2. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

The minutes from the September 27, 2019 meeting were approved.

**3. Bylaws Corrections**

Curt Chisholm stated that there was a conflict in the bylaws: one section states task force chairs will be elected by the CAC and another section states the task force chairs will be appointed by the CAC Chair. Chisholm stated his preference was to appoint. Tom Cordingley made a motion to change the bylaws to reflect that task force chairs will be appointed by the Chair of the CAC. Marshal Gingery seconded. Motion carried.

**4. CAC Refocusing Memo**

Curt Chisholm gave an overview of CJCC membership and formation, highlighting that most are elected officials who have agreed to continue to work together.

Moffie Funk stated that there is a lot to celebrate and reminded the CAC that the group needs to be patient. Until the jail is renovated and programs are put into place, the facility is does not have space to do the work recommended by the CAC. Funk requested that the Task Forces provide vision for the future and bring community members to the CAC meetings to provide education to the Committee.

Kellie McBride shared a time-line document of accomplishments.

Chisholm stated that there needed to be a better way to share these accomplishments with the public. Judy Rolfe agreed, stating that the Committee will need to be accountable to the public. Marshall Gingery stated that the Committee needs greater diversity as it is a political process and should represent a cross-section of community. Gingery stated that the Committee should be holding the CJCC membership accountable to ensure the taxpayers' dollars are spent well.

John Wilkinson stated that the County Commission had adopted the Stepping Up Initiative and put significant money towards it to reduce the number of mentally ill persons in detention. Wilkinson stated that he has been quite impressed with the response of staff from Criminal Justice Services and the detention center. The detention center is now using the AC-OK screening tool at booking.

The Committee discussed the need for greater mental health resources. The detention center is screening, but there is a void in capacity for substance use disorders, inpatient residential treatment, etc. There is a significant shortage in emergency and low-income housing.

#### **5. Task Force Team Selection**

Curt Chisholm made the following appointments to chair the task forces:

- a. Court/Pretrial Services Task Force: John Lytle (Chair)
- b. Six Questions Task Force: John Wilkinson (Chair)
- c. Mental Health Task Force: Theresa Charlton (Chair)
- d. Early Childhood Intervention: Tom Cordingley (Chair)
- e. Specialty Courts: Marshall Gingery (Chair)
- f. Accreditations/Standards: Dennis Taylor (Chair)

Chisholm requested that the Six Questions Task Force report at the November meeting. Marshal Gingery made a motion to move the November meeting to December 6, 2019. Second by Theresa Charlton. Motion carried.

#### **6. Dashboard Update on Criminal Justice Services**

The Dashboard Update was sent prior to the meeting via e-mail.

#### **7. Public Comment**

No public comment was received.

#### **8. Next Meeting: December 6, 2019**

#### **9. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:07 p.m.

Minutes approved January 31, 2020.